

line 1-2, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 3, line 1, change "Avian" to --The avian--;

line 1-2, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--;

line 2, change "derived" to --obtained--.

Claim 5, line 1, change "derived" to --obtained--.

Please amend claims 4 and 6-13 as follows:

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(Amended) Immortal, untransformed avian cell line, which is selected from the group consisting of:

[- cell line TDF-2A bcl-2, which is deposited in the CNCM (Collection Nationale de Cultures de Microorganismes de l'Institut Pasteur [Pasteur Institute National Collection of Microorganism Cultures]) under reference number I-1709.

- cell line TCF04.10, which is deposited in the CNCM under reference number I-1710

- cell line TCF-4.10 bcl-2, which is deposited in the CNCM under reference number I-1711.]

- cell line TDF-2A bcl-2, which is deposited in the CNCM (Pasteur Institute National Collection of Microorganism Cultures) under reference number I-1709;
cell line TCF-4.10, which is deposited in the CNCM under the reference number I-1710; and cell line TCF-4.10 bcl2, which is deposited in the CNCM under reference number I-1711.

6. (Amended) [Cells] The cells according to claim 5, [characterized in that] wherein they [contain at least one] comprise an expression cassette which

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[comprises at least one] ~~expresses a nucleotide sequence~~ [encoding a molecule of industrial relevance].

9 7. (Amended) [Cells] The cells according to Claim ⁸ ~~6~~, [characterized in that] wherein the nucleotide sequence encodes a viral [subunit of the] peptide, protein or glycoprotein ~~type~~ or encodes protein molecules [such as hormones].

10 8. (Amended) [Cells] The cells according to Claim ⁷ ~~5~~, [characterized in that] wherein they are infected[, preferably chronically,] with a virus which ~~is able~~ *c* to multiply in these cells.

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11 9. (Twice Amended) [Cells] The cells according to Claim ⁷ ~~5~~, [characterized in that] wherein they contain [a survival or] an anti-apoptotic gene [other than bcl-2, which gene is preferably] selected from the group consisting of p19E1B from human adenovirus, LMP-1 from Epstein Barr virus, BHRF1 from Epstein Barr virus, ICP34.5 from herpes simplex virus and p35 from baculovirus.

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12 10. (Twice Amended) [Cells] The cells according to Claim ⁷ ~~5~~, *the cells comprise* [characterized in that] wherein *comprises* they ~~integrate~~ [vectors which are able to overexpress one or more of the genes involved in controlling the cell cycle in order to increase the rate of proliferation] a vector comprising a gene encoding viral receptor.

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11. (Twice Amended) [Cells] The cells according to Claim ~~5~~, [characterized in that] wherein they ~~integrate~~ [genes which encode] a vector comprising a gene encoding a viral [receptors] receptor.

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14 12. (Twice Amended) [Cells] The cells according to Claim ⁷ ~~5~~, *the cells comprise* [characterized in that] wherein *comprises* they ~~integrate~~ [oncogenes which are able to accelerate cell growth] a vector comprising a gene encoding an oncogene.

13. (Twice Amended) [Method] A method for producing [molecules of industrial relevance or viruses, comprising culturing cells according to Claim 5] viruses or viral peptide, protein, glycoprotein, or protein molecules which comprises culturing the cells selected from claims 5 to 12.

.Please add the following claims 14-18:

--14. The avian cell line according to claim 1, wherein the anti-apoptotic gene is the bcl-2 gene.

~~4-15.~~ The avian cell line according to claim 1, wherein the cells comprise, integrated into their genome, the SV40 T+t gene.

~~5-16.~~ The avian cell line according to claim ~~15~~¹⁴, wherein the SV40 T+t gene is under the control of the MTI promoter.

~~17.~~ The avian cell line according to claim 1, wherein the cells integrate into their genome the vector pDAMT.

~~18.~~ The avian cell line according to claim 1, wherein the cells integrate into their genome the vector pphMT.--

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Specification:

An abstract has been provided as requested.